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Production of Xylitol and Ethanol )  
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AMENDMENT

S I R :

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Actions dated May 16, 2001 and June 27, 2001, having an initial due date for response to both Actions of September 27, 2001, which has been extended to November 27, 2001 by the concurrently filing of a request for extension of time.

Also, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, attached hereto is a marked-up version showing the changes made by the present amendment.

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